

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**METHOD OF PRODUCING, SELLING, AND DISTRIBUTING ARTICLES OF
MANUFACTURE THROUGH THE AUTOMATED AGGREGATION OF ORDERS AND
THE VISUAL REPRESENTATION OF STANDARDIZED SHIPPING VOLUMES**

This application is a continuation-in-part of the following co-pending applications, and claims the benefit of the provisional applications as shown:

(1) U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/968,962, filed 2 October 2001, entitled "Container Builder," with Gustav P. Kuelbs as the sole inventor;

(a) which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. **60/237,157**, filed **2 October 2000**; and

(b) which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/619,947, filed 20 July 2000, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/144,682, Filed 20 July 1999, and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 60/149,011, Filed 13 August 1999.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to my person to be material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56(a).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false

statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

I hereby appoint **Melvin A. Hunn, Reg. No. 32,574, Kenneth C. Hill, Reg. No. 29,650, and James E. Walton, Reg. No. 47,245** to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith.

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**ASSERTION OF ENTITLEMENT TO SMALL ENTITY STATUS
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(c)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.27(c)(2)(i), the undersigned hereby asserts that **KUELBS PARTNERSHIP**, owner by assignment of the entire right, title, and interest in the subject application, is a small entity as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(d) and is entitled to small entity status for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41 (a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the subject invention.

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| CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8(a) | |
| I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent Office, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this date. | |
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